
SENATE BILL No. 12

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 34-24-1-1; IC 35-42-4-4; IC 35-49-1-3; IC 35-49-3-3.

Synopsis: Child pornography. Authorizes the seizure of equipment used in preparing or disseminating material in the commission of child exploitation or possession of child pornography. Provides that a person who makes available to another person a computer containing matter depicting sexual conduct by a child less than 18 years of age commits the crime of child exploitation. Raises child exploitation from a Class D felony to a Class C felony. Specifies that the laws concerning child exploitation, possession of child pornography, and obscenity and pornography apply to digitized images. Provides that sending material to a minor over the Internet does not constitute the crime of disseminating to minors matter that is harmful to minors unless the matter, under statutory standards, is obscene or is child pornography, or unless the material, under statutory standards, is harmful to minors and is deliberately sent to a child the sender knows to be less than 18 years of age.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 34-24-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.17-2001,
2 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 1. (a) The following may be seized:

4 (1) All vehicles (as defined by ~~IC 35-41-1-1~~) in **IC 35-41-1-28**),
5 if they are used or are intended for use by the person or persons
6 in possession of them to transport or in any manner to facilitate
7 the transportation of the following:

8 (A) A controlled substance for the purpose of committing,
9 attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit any of the
10 following:

11 (i) Dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or
12 methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-1).

13 (ii) Dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance
14 (IC 35-48-4-2).

15 (iii) Dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance
16 (IC 35-48-4-3).

17 (iv) Dealing in a schedule V controlled substance



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- 1 (IC 35-48-4-4).
 2 (v) Dealing in a counterfeit substance (IC 35-48-4-5).
 3 (vi) Possession of cocaine, a narcotic drug, or
 4 methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-6).
 5 (vii) Dealing in paraphernalia (IC 35-48-4-8.5).
 6 (viii) Dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish
 7 (IC 35-48-4-10).
 8 (B) Any stolen (IC 35-43-4-2) or converted property
 9 (IC 35-43-4-3) if the retail or repurchase value of that property
 10 is one hundred dollars (\$100) or more.
 11 (C) Any hazardous waste in violation of IC 13-30-6-6.
 12 (2) All money, negotiable instruments, securities, weapons,
 13 communications devices, or any property commonly used as
 14 consideration for a violation of IC 35-48-4 (other than items
 15 subject to forfeiture under IC 16-42-20-5 or IC 16-6-8.5-5.1
 16 before its repeal):
 17 (A) furnished or intended to be furnished by any person in
 18 exchange for an act that is in violation of a criminal statute;
 19 (B) used to facilitate any violation of a criminal statute; or
 20 (C) traceable as proceeds of the violation of a criminal statute.
 21 (3) Any portion of real or personal property purchased with
 22 money that is traceable as a proceed of a violation of a criminal
 23 statute.
 24 (4) A vehicle that is used by a person to:
 25 (A) commit, attempt to commit, or conspire to commit;
 26 (B) facilitate the commission of; or
 27 (C) escape from the commission of;
 28 murder (IC 35-42-1-1), kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2), criminal
 29 confinement (IC 35-42-3-3), rape (IC 35-42-4-1), child molesting
 30 (IC 35-42-4-3), or child exploitation (IC 35-42-4-4).
 31 (5) Real property owned by a person who uses it to commit any of
 32 the following as a Class A felony, a Class B felony, or a Class C
 33 felony:
 34 (A) Dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or
 35 methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-1).
 36 (B) Dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance
 37 (IC 35-48-4-2).
 38 (C) Dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance
 39 (IC 35-48-4-3).
 40 (D) Dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish (IC 35-48-4-10).
 41 (6) Equipment and recordings used by a person to commit fraud
 42 under IC 35-43-5-4(11).

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(7) Recordings sold, rented, transported, or possessed by a person in violation of IC 24-4-10.

(8) Property (as defined by IC 35-41-1-23) or an enterprise (as defined by IC 35-45-6-1) that is the object of a corrupt business influence violation (IC 35-45-6-2).

(9) Unlawful telecommunications devices (as defined in IC 35-45-13-6) and plans, instructions, or publications used to commit an offense under IC 35-45-13.

(10) Any equipment used or intended for use in preparing, photographing, recording, videotaping, digitizing, printing, copying, or disseminating matter in violation of IC 35-42-4-4.

(b) A vehicle used by any person as a common or contract carrier in the transaction of business as a common or contract carrier is not subject to seizure under this section, unless it can be proven by a preponderance of the evidence that the owner of the vehicle knowingly permitted the vehicle to be used to engage in conduct that subjects it to seizure under subsection (a).

(c) Money, negotiable instruments, securities, weapons, communications devices, or any property commonly used as consideration for a violation of IC 35-48-4 found near or on a person who is committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit any of the following offenses shall be admitted into evidence in an action under this chapter as prima facie evidence that the money, negotiable instrument, security, or other thing of value is property that has been used or was to have been used to facilitate the violation of a criminal statute or is the proceeds of the violation of a criminal statute:

(1) IC 35-48-4-1 (dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine).

(2) IC 35-48-4-2 (dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance).

(3) IC 35-48-4-3 (dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance).

(4) IC 35-48-4-4 (dealing in a schedule V controlled substance) as a Class B felony.

(5) IC 35-48-4-6 (possession of cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine) as a Class A felony, Class B felony, or Class C felony.

(6) IC 35-48-4-10 (dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish) as a Class C felony.

SECTION 2. IC 35-42-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 4. (a) As used in this section:

"Disseminate" means to transfer possession for free or for a

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consideration.

"Matter" has the same meaning as in IC 35-49-1-3.

"Performance" has the same meaning as in IC 35-49-1-7.

"Sexual conduct" means sexual intercourse, deviate sexual conduct, exhibition of the uncovered genitals intended to satisfy or arouse the sexual desires of any person, sado-masochistic abuse, sexual intercourse or deviate sexual conduct with an animal, or any fondling or touching of a child by another person or of another person by a child intended to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the other person.

(b) A person who knowingly or intentionally:

(1) manages, produces, sponsors, presents, exhibits, photographs, films, ~~or~~ videotapes, **or creates a digitized image of** any performance or incident that includes sexual conduct by a child under eighteen (18) years of age; ~~or~~

(2) disseminates, exhibits to another person, offers to disseminate or exhibit to another person, or sends or brings into Indiana for dissemination or exhibition matter that depicts or describes sexual conduct by a child under eighteen (18) years of age; **or**

(3) makes available to another person a computer, knowing that the computer's fixed drive or peripheral device contains matter that depicts or describes sexual conduct by a child less than eighteen (18) years of age;

commits child exploitation, a ~~Class D~~ **Class C** felony. ~~However, the offense is a Class E felony if it is committed by using a computer network (as defined in IC 35-43-2-3(a)).~~

(c) A person who knowingly or intentionally possesses:

(1) a picture;

(2) a drawing;

(3) a photograph;

(4) a negative image;

(5) undeveloped film;

(6) a motion picture;

(7) a videotape; ~~or~~

(8) a digitized image; or

(9) any pictorial representation;

that depicts or describes sexual conduct by a child who is less than sixteen (16) years of age, or appears to be less than sixteen (16) years of age, and that lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value commits possession of child pornography, a ~~Class A misdemeanor~~ **D felony**.

(d) Subsections (b) and (c) do not apply to a bona fide school,

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1 museum, or public library that qualifies for certain property tax
 2 exemptions under IC 6-1.1-10, or to an employee of such a school,
 3 museum, or public library acting within the scope of the employee's
 4 employment when the possession of the listed materials are for
 5 legitimate scientific or educational purposes.

6 SECTION 3. IC 35-49-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 7 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. "Matter" means:

- 8 (1) any book, magazine, newspaper, or other printed or written
 9 material;
- 10 (2) any picture, drawing, photograph, motion picture, **digitized**
 11 **image**, or other pictorial representation;
- 12 (3) any statue or other figure;
- 13 (4) any recording, transcription, or mechanical, chemical, or
 14 electrical reproduction; or
- 15 (5) any other articles, equipment, machines, or materials.

16 SECTION 4. IC 35-49-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 17 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002]: Sec. 3. **(a) Except as**
 18 **provided in subsection (b),** a person who knowingly or intentionally:

- 19 (1) disseminates matter to minors that is harmful to minors;
- 20 (2) displays matter that is harmful to minors in an area to which
 21 minors have visual, auditory, or physical access, unless each
 22 minor is accompanied by his parent or guardian;
- 23 (3) sells or displays for sale to any person matter that is harmful
 24 to minors within five hundred (500) feet of the nearest property
 25 line of a school or church;
- 26 (4) engages in or conducts a performance before minors that is
 27 harmful to minors;
- 28 (5) engages in or conducts a performance that is harmful to
 29 minors in an area to which minors have visual, auditory, or
 30 physical access, unless each minor is accompanied by his parent
 31 or guardian;
- 32 (6) misrepresents his age for the purpose of obtaining admission
 33 to an area from which minors are restricted because of the display
 34 of matter or a performance that is harmful to minors; or
- 35 (7) misrepresents that he is a parent or guardian of a minor for the
 36 purpose of obtaining admission of the minor to an area where
 37 minors are being restricted because of display of matter or
 38 performance that is harmful to minors;

39 commits a Class D felony.

40 **(b) This section does not apply if a person disseminates,**
 41 **displays, or otherwise makes available the matter described in**
 42 **subsection (a) through the Internet, computer electronic transfer,**

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1 or a computer network unless:
2 (1) the matter is obscene under IC 35-49-2-1;
3 (2) the matter is child pornography under IC 35-42-4-4; or
4 (3) the person distributes the matter to a child less than
5 eighteen (18) years of age knowing that the recipient is a child
6 less than eighteen (18) years of age.
7 SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2002] IC 35-42-4-4,
8 IC 35-49-1-3, and IC 35-49-3-3, all as amended by this act, apply
9 only to crimes committed after June 30, 2002.

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